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Commissioner Jane Henney Food & Drug Administration Parklawn Bldg., Room 1471 Rockville, MD 20857

Re: Docket No. 98P-1194 rBGH

Dear Commissioner Henney:

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I am writing in support of the petition of Rural Vermont that rBGH be taken off the market until long-term studies have been made that prove it is safe for cows and people.

Only short-term studies were made before this was allowed and already problems have arisen in the health of cows and who knows what may be passed on to human beings.

I believe rBGH is an affront to nature and has been invented mostly for profit, not a very moral reason. To artificially induce more milk produced by cows with this chemical treats the cow like a machine instead of the sentient animal she is.

In the interests of cows and people, rBGH should be taken off the market. When I buy dairy products I look for the kind that is rBGH free.

Please make the above comments part of the formal petition record.

Sincerely,

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